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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: ROBERT L. SMITH  
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/053,142  
ENTITLED: APPARATUS FOR LOADING CARGO INTO VEHICLES  
DATE FILED: 11/07/2001  
EXAMINER: JAMES W. KEENAN  
GROUP ART UNIT: 3652

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN THE SECOND MONTH

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Dear Sir:

Applicant in the above-referenced application, through his undersigned attorney, hereby petitions for a 2 month extension of time until April 13, 2004, for response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2003. Applicant is enclosing check number 7865 to cover the petition fee of \$210.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (a)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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